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SUBJECT: GVN NOTE PROTESTS NVA/VC SEIZURE OF FIVE DISTRICT
TOWNS AND ONE BASE

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1. TRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION IS THE TEXT OF GVN NOTE TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM PROTESTING RECENT COMMUNIST SEIZURE OF 5 DISTRICT TOWNS AND ONE OPERATIONS BASE. NOTE WILL BE MADE PUBLIC JANUARY 3. ADDRESSEES PLS PASS TEXT TO LOCAL GVN REPRESENTATIVES, WHERE THEY EXIST.

2. BEGIN TEXT: NOTE NO 3271/BNG/29. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973, AND HAS THE HONOUR TO CALL THEIR ATTENTION TO THE GRAVE EVENTS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN SOUTH VIET-NAM DURING THE LAST THREE WEEKS OF DECEMBER 1974.

3. SINCE 06 DECEMBER 1974, NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMED FORCES HAVE BEEN STEPPING UP THEIR ACTS OF WAR IN THE WHOLE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM.

4. ON 14 DECEMBER 1974, THEY ATTACKED AND SEIZED THE DISTRICT TOWN OF DUC PHONG (YU. 458.069), LOCATED AT 32 KILOMETERS EAST OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCIAL CITY.

5. ON 15 DECEMBER 1974, THE BASE OF BU NA (YT. 258.894) AT 22 KILOMETERS NORTH EAST OF DON LUAN DISTRICT TOWN (PHUOC LONG PROVINCE) WAS SUBMERGED BY THE COMMUNIST FORCES.

6. ON 16 DECEMBER 1974, THE DISTRICT TOWN OF HUNG LONG (WR. 390.648) IN CHUONG THIEN PROVINCE WAS OVERRUN BY THE COMMUNIST FORCES AFTER THEIR REPEATED ATTACKS AND MASSIVE SHELLINGS DURING 11 SUCCESSIVE DAYS.

7. ON 22 DECEMBER 1974, THE DISTRICT TOWN OD BO DUC(YU. 245.040) AT 8 KILOMETERS SOUTH EAST OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCIAL CITY, FELL TO THE OTHER SIDE FOLLOWING 11 DAYS OF SUCCESSIVE COMMUNIST ATTACKS AND SHELLINGS.

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8. ON 24 DECEMBER 1974, THE DISTRICT TOWN OF TANH LINH (YT. 935.263) AT 45 KILOMETERS NORTH OF BINH TUY PROVINCIAL CITY WAS SEIZED BY THE COMMUNIST FORCES AFTER HAVING RESISTED THEIR ATTACKS AND SHELLINGS FOR 15 DAYS.

9. ON 26 DECEMBER 1974, THE DISTRICT TOWN OF DON LUAN (YT. 070.760) AT 37 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCIAL

CITY ALSO FELL INTO THE COMMUNISTS' HANDS AFTER SUSTAINING 10 DAYS OF CONTINUED ATTACKS AND SHELLINGS.

10. THUS WITHIN THE LAST THREE WEEKS, THE COMMUNIST FORCES HAVE DELIBERATELY INTENSIFIED THEIR MILITARY OPERATIONS TO CAPTURE FIVE TOWNS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM. RAISING TO TEN THE NUMBER OF DISTRICT TOWNS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WHICH ARE ILLEGALLY CAPTURED BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE SINCE ITS SEIZURE OF THE DISTRICT TOWN OF DAK PEK (KON TUM PROVINCE) ON 16 MAY 1974.

11. THESE ACTS OF WAR, IN BLATANT VIOLATION OF ARTICLES 3C AND 10 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973, ARTICLES 1 AND 2 OF THE PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE CEASE FIRE AND ARTICLES 3 AND 4 OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF 13 JUNE 1973, ARE ALL THE MORE SIGNIFICANT AS THEY OCCURRED AS AN ANSWER TO THE DECLARATION ON 7 NOVEMBER 1974 OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WHICH CALLS FOR THE RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT ANY PRE-CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO RESTORE PEACE. WHILE THE CORRECT AND CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM IN ITS DECLARATION ON 7 NOVEMBER 1974 IS RECEIVING WIDE APPROVAL AND SUPPORT FROM WORLD OPINION AT LARGE, THE COMMUNIST CYNICAL RESPONSE BY THIS SERIES OF OPEN ACTS OF WAR, ON AN INCREASING SCALE, NOT ONLY CONSTITUTES A CHALLENGE TO WORLD OPINION BUT ALSO SHOWS UNMISTAKABLY THE DETERMINATION OF THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION TO ATTEMPT TO TAKE OVER SOUTH VIET-NA BY FORCE OF ARMS, IN TOTAL DISREGARD OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973.

12. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM. IN RAISING ITS MOST ENERGETIC PROTEST, STRONGLY DENOUNCES THE POLICY OF MILITARY ESCALATION OF THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION AND ITS SOUTHERN ARM, THE SELF-STYLED "PRGSVN". IF SUCH AN IRRESPONSIBLE
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POLICY WERE ALLOWED TO GO UNRESTRAINED, IT WOULD INEVITABLY RESULT IN THE COLLAPSE OF THE WHOLE STRUCTURE OF PEACE ESTABLISHED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973, ITS RELATED PROTOCOL, THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM OF 2 MARCH 1973 AND THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF 13 JUNE 1973.

13. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WISHES TO REITERATE ITS DETERMINATION TO RESPECT STRICTLY AND TO IMPLEMENT FULLY THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973, BUT HAS TO RESERVE ITS RIGHT, IN SELF DEFENCE, TO TAKE ALL MEASURES THAT THE SITUATION MAY REQUIRE TO PROTECT ITS TERRITORY AND ITS POPULATION.

14. IN VIEW OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION, THE

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM EARNESTLY APPEALS TO THE PARTIES TO ACT, EITHER INDIVIDUALLY OR THROUGH JOINT ACTION, TO ENSURE THAT THE COMMUNIST SIDE CEASES AT ONCE ITS BELLIGERENT ACTS AND IMMEDIATELY RESUMES THE TALKS WITH THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM IN ORDER TO REACH A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF VIET-NAM.

15. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET-NAM, THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. SAIGON 31 DECEMBER 1974.
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